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The weather today will be threatening and colder.

ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

Having called the attention of the public and the common council to the complaints preferred against Poor Director Kruse, and the council having taken action in relation to the same, THE HERALD has discharged its duty in the premises and will be content to abide by any further action that body shall determine upon. From the testimony of those having business relations with Mr. Kruse, in his official capacity, THE HERALD was and is convinced that the man is unfit to discharge the duties of the office he holds. Believing this, it has not declined to make the fact known, but rather has given to the public the facts and allegations presented by disinterested persons. The resolution offered by Mr. Sprout is a proper one and brings the matter home to the right place. That the resolution was tabled is not an indication that there is no sufficient ground for an investigation. The case has no political significance, except as it is forced into it as an issue. If Mr. Kruse is a faithful and efficient official, such an investigation as is contemplated by the resolution will vindicate him. If he is not competent and is inefficient then he has no right to hold the office. To hold a public office a citizen must be not only qualified, but competent to discharge the duties of the position. Mr. Turner's demand that charges shall first be preferred before an investigation shall be ordered is well founded. But a precedent was established in the appointment of a committee, in the absence of any preferred charges, to investigate the accounts of the city treasurer that would justify a like course in this case. THE HERALD is well pleased with the action of the council.

PALMER, OF ILLINOIS.

There is little in the prospective future to inspire democrats with confidence or enthusiasm. Just now the trickster element has hold of the reins and is driving toward Hill at breakneck speed. The calm and conservative men of the party, its bone and sinew, look on in astonishment at the intriguing of the unprincipled and self-constituted leaders and can see no ray of promise rifling the clouds which are gathering about the Chicago convention hall. The tricksters and high-handed spoilsmen are determined to defeat Cleveland's renomination. They bank their hopes of success on Hill. His brilliant success in manipulating the politics of New York state is used as incontestable proof that he can duplicate it in the nation. But this is an illusive snare. Hill is not popular with the masses. He is distrusted and despised by all who admire honorable politics, and there are thousands of democrats included in that number. On the other hand Cleveland enjoys the fullest confidence and respect of the democratic masses. He is in everything quite the reverse of Hill. But the machinations of the disreputable element will be centralized to encompass his defeat in the convention. In the absence of this presumptive element Grover Cleveland would be nominated on the first ballot and by acclamation. He is the first choice of ninety-nine democrats in every hundred. But he will not receive the nomination. If at all, until the irresponsible element has exhausted its strength. By that time other combinations will have been formed and the result will be uncertain. In such a crisis the most available western candidate will loom into prominence. Boies lacks public reputation and acquaintance. Garland is tainted by his questionable transactions in stock while attorney-general. Vilas is out of the race before entering it. Winslow never will be entered. Dickinson is a political burr. There is but one stalwart, unflinching democracy war-horse in the west who will inspire the dejected democracy with hope. Look out for John M. Palmer of Illinois.

OUR FOUNDATIONS.

One of the ablest champions of the present system of electing United States senators insists that it would be both prudent and patriotic to regard with respect and veneration the wisdom of the founders of the nation and the framers of the constitution. Our fundamental law, it asserts, which is the embodied wisdom of all ages, has been the principal factor in our splendid successes of the past and, it claims, we cannot do better in the future than by maintaining the old national landmarks in the spirit of an earnest loyalty to the early principles and practices of those glorious patriots who laid the foundations of our present greatness. The foundations of our present greatness, however, were not laid in the senate. They were laid in a representative body of men, chosen, not by legislative bodies, but by the people themselves and they voiced the patriotic impulses of the people in the immortal Declaration of Independence. The continental congress by the very nature and extent of our then population sprang directly from the people. When it was necessary to adopt a constitution these representa-

tives of the people adopted it. Thus the foundations of our present greatness were laid. When the constitution so adopted was submitted to the colonies for ratification, the smaller states, Rhode Island and Delaware, were not quick to enter the union through fear of losing their identities. The former state urged this as a reason why she declined to enter. Then the constitutional provision was incorporated into the document, removing that objection by equalizing the direct participation of the various states in determining important legislation and in confirming federal officers and foreign treaties. Under this Rhode Island with a handful of citizens was given the same representation in the senate as New York with her millions. Nevada, Oregon, Washington and the two Dakotas, whose populations combined barely equal the population of Illinois, have ten votes in the senate while the latter has but two. The new amendment proposes that each state shall elect one senator at large and an additional senator for each million of inhabitants, all the senators to be elected by the people. As was said yesterday, this will meet with the popular approval.

WALL STREET AND SILVER.

"One noticeable feature of the market," says Henry Clews, "is the absence of any definite expectations as to the future of the foreign markets for American securities. If any are returned they do not affect prices here; for the reason that the local abundance of money creates an extraordinary carrying power and because that power is likely to be long maintained. As to the chances of any important foreign demand, that is little calculated upon as an element in this market. The feeling seems to be unanimous that, so long as the position of silver in our currency system remains undetermined, there is quite as much chance for foreigners selling our securities as for their buying them; for if silver money is to be forced down to its mere bullion value, it is impossible to say what may be the value of the returns from investments not payable specifically in gold. Foreigners attach much greater importance to this element in the value of our stocks than we do; and therefore any movements of public opinion or of congressional action which casts a shadow on the prospects of our silver money put an immediate check upon the disposition of foreign investors to hold any of our securities which do not promise payment in gold. Of one thing there can be but little question—that if it were thought likely that the country will be ultimately committed to the free coinage of silver, without any international co-operation to restore and maintain its value, it would send a thrill of apprehension through all the great interests that center in Wall street, and produce an unparalleled prostration of confidence in everything financial. It must not be inferred from Wall street's silence on this question that it is in any sense indifferent about it. It is silent because its voice would be unheeded among the men who shape legislation after the demands of popular prejudice and ignorance; but it watches these movements with deep concern, and yet not with despondency; for its hope is in the power of the conservative common sense of the country to finally defeat the counsels of selfish interests and of blind partisans.

Dr. LYMAN ABBOTT, successor to Beecher, in answering the charge that his orthodoxy is not sound replies: "I do not find anywhere in the bible that Jesus Christ is God. I do find in it that he was under limitations. God put himself under the limitations of humanity to reveal himself to man." This declaration will sound very strange to those who have been imbued with the truth that "Christ walked with God and was God," and they will continue to question Dr. Abbott's orthodoxy.

One of the most conspicuous features of the Chilian affair, developed since the crisis was averted, is the general misunderstanding entertained throughout the entire struggle of the exact differences existing between the two governments. Nearly every day some new and unexpected development is made public that entirely changes the complexion of affairs.

What's the use of the newspapers making such a fuss about the greatness of South Dakota as a divorce center. Grand Rapids alone can discount it. Yesterday there were three divorces granted in this city, one sensational suit began and hearings had on several others. Let all conjugal dissatisfaction come unto us, and we will give it rest.

BRECKENRIDGE, who had the shameless effrontery to rise in his place in congress and attempt to impugn the motives of President Harrison's message, and who was selected to deliver the oration at the opening of the World's fair, may not discharge the eminent duty, for he has earned the disgust of every man in the directors' circle.

One gratifying evidence that both employee and employers are arriving at the conclusion that shorter hours must be adopted is disclosed in the amicable adjustment of a nine-hour day between the carpenters and contractors of this city.

A SAN FRANCISCO policeman shot a man for fast driving on a prominent thoroughfare. That is a rather severe punishment, but the offense is one that merits severity.

The attention of Mr. Jupiter Pluvius is respectfully called to the fact that he is usurping the place that rightfully belongs to Mr. J. Frost.

GROVER CLEVELAND and David Hill shook hands in New York this other

night. Mr. John Lawrence Sullivan and Mr. Jacob Kinsman once did the same thing, but it was not necessarily a peace-offering.

From the riots that have taken place in London, a publican and sinner might infer that the Salvation Army hasn't the sympathy and control of the lower classes that General Booth claims it has.

It is reported that 150 women are being treated for intemperance at the Keeley institute. No sadder picture of American civilization could be drawn.

With no rules the democratic house is making a splendid record for doing nothing. What will it do with the rules?

More than two months have elapsed, and the five-cent house has done nothing but pound the wind.

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE.

New York Mail and Express: Those who ought to know, and doubtless do know, say that the special committee of the New York Life Insurance company's trustees upon the action to be taken concerning the recent report of Superintendent Pierce will recommend that the present administration be sustained—in effect declare an expression of confidence in President Beers and his management of the company. It is further stated that the company will in the proper time and manner contribute its defense to the controversy, and that the public will do well to suspend the final judgment until it has learned that in this case, as all others, there are two sides. Many queer rumors are current in insurance circles concerning the campaign against the New York Life, and it is to be hoped, in the interest of simple truth, that some of the stories may be tested by the facts. It is said, for example, that large sums of money have been paid for the newspaper Pierce-Shannon report, and that there wasn't a merchant house in the world which, admitting all the report alleges, could show a record so creditable and honorable as the New York Life, with assets of one hundred and twenty millions, unquestioned and unlimited credit, and a clear surplus over all liabilities of nearly fifteen millions. Should the real actors in this serio-comic drama ever be made known, it is morally certain that some queer company and rather embarrassing situations would be exposed.

AMUSEMENTS.

Redmond's "The Paymaster."

This melodrama which gained a wide reputation and made much money for its author, Duncan B. Harrison, did so because it was one of, if not the first, to introduce a tank upon the stage. So far as its construction is concerned, there is no occasion to note anything new. The story and plot have been told upon the stage time and again. There is in the present production a commendable effort to surround the play with suitable and attractive scenery. The set representing the prison in the background and the river of real water in the front was very effective and positively thrilling when the hero leaped from the window above into the water. The play has some good climaxes and many of the situations are unusually interesting. The company is headed by Charles Maubury who enacts Robert with consistent force and earnestness. Beatrice Constance, as Ethel, imposes sweetness, delicacy, tenderness, pathos, firmness, in fact distinctly defines all of the attributes of the noble and true woman; a character which is sure to command sympathy as portrayed by her. The other characters are cared for by players who compose a cast which averages well with the companies seen in this theater. The first matinee will be given today.

Geary's—Jo Jo and Comedy.

Jo Jo who is decidedly one of the most prominent curiosities, which annually tour the dime museum circuit, attracted a large attendance at Geary's museum yesterday afternoon and evening. One would imagine that because Jo Jo's face resembles that of a canine that he would be brutal and coarse, but the strange Russian, in all appearances refined. His features are certainly delicate and his complexion pure. While nature did not give him a prepossessing countenance, in moulding him as it did, it gave him an opportunity of easily making a livelihood, for Jo Jo is one of the highest price freaks that travel. In the theater Master Abbott proved himself quite an adept at legere deman particularly when his age is considered. Another instructive and interesting feature in this department is Dan Nash's comedy company in a panorama of Ireland.

Smith's—Specialty and Comedy.

Street and Robbe's company opened to a good business last night. They present a program which seemed to win unusual favor from the regular Monday nighters present. Murphy and Lenora present some neat and refined character sketches and Martin and Martin made a hit in their serial gymnastic turn. Beatrice, the vocalist, was received with cheering favor and the black face act of Sheridan and Wright was above the ordinary. Lucile, the sweet ping and nimble skirt dancer remains another work and was extended a hearty reception. The concluding comedy, "Nana, or the Blonde Venus" was spicy and introduces the strength of the company in an agreeable manner. Matinee tomorrow Friday and Saturday.

General Mention.

One of the most interesting events of this week for the cultivated public of Grand Rapids will be the series of three lectures by Edmund Russell to be given in the Ladies' Literary club rooms Wednesday and Thursday afternoons and Friday evening. The lecturer and his works and lectures are world-renowned.

Herr Scharwenka, the famous composer and pianist, will give one concert at Hartman's hall next Monday evening. Local friends of the divine art will feel grateful toward Manager Hartman for securing this great artist. The sale of reserved seats opens at the Ottawa street box office next Saturday evening.

Prof. Herrmann missed connections in Chicago yesterday and could not reach the city until 11 o'clock last

night and consequently did not appear at Powers'. Ticket holders were given back their money or allowed to exchange for tonight when the Professor will positively appear.

There was a continuous throng in the lobby of Powers' Grand all day yesterday in quest of seats for Modjeska. The immense take of seats already assures her engagement a success. The plays will be "Marie Stuart" tomorrow evening and "Macbeth" on Thursday.

A special matinee will be given at Redmond's next Friday afternoon. "The Paymaster" will be presented and Managers Burroughs and Meyer will give a very generous proportion of the receipts to the Ladies' Home and Aid society.

The singing comedian, Chas. T. Ellis, will appear at Redmond's next week in "Casper the Yodler."

THE MODERN NOVEL.

A Specimen Chapter Taken from Some One's Greatest Effort.

Reginald Marston had been talking with Miss Alexander for at least two hours on the piazza, where Fred Wheelington had presented him to the hereina. All his best powers had been exerted to please her and it was quite evident that he was more than successful. As Wheelington came out at 11 o'clock into the fragrant summer air of the night Marston arose to go.

"Not yet, I hope," said Miss Alexander detestingly.

"Yes, I have staid too long already," Marston almost whispered, as he took her hand.

With a short good night to both he left Miss Alexander and Wheelington on the piazza.

Wheelington took the chair Marston had vacated, and with the familiarity of an old friend drew it nearer that of the young woman.

"What have you been saying of me to Mr. Marston?" she began impulsively.

"Not a great deal of a complimentary character," he replied banteringly.

"There isn't much to say, don't you know?"

"Oh, of course not," she laughed.

"but you must have said something," she insisted. "for I never saw a man so earnest, so honest, so persistent in finding in one all the graces of womankind. He did it so gracefully and so charmingly, too, that really I have quite fallen in love with him."

Wheelington coughed significantly and laughed.

"Indeed?" he said briefly.

"Tell me," she urged, "now that's a real nice big brother," and she took his hand caressingly in hers.

"But I didn't tell him anything," he insisted, without making any violent effort to take his hand away from hers.

"That is," he said after a moment, "not much."

"Oh, but it must have been a great deal."

"No, it was only a word or two."

"Pshaw!" she exclaimed, snatching her hand from his, "you couldn't tell him anything about me in a word or two which could possibly have had any influence upon him."

"It seems, however, my dear Miss Alexander, that I did," he said exasperatingly.

She jumped up from her chair and walked across the piazza, where she stood against the rail pulling a honey-suckle to pieces.

"How perfectly idiotic," she exclaimed, throwing the flower to the floor. "What was it?"

"I told him you were very rich."

She crushed the flower under her foot and went into the house.—Detroit Free Press.

In Season. 1. Ice also. Boy. Joy! Slide. Gidd. Thin. In! Wet? Bet! Clothes. Frost. Crop. Whoop!

2. Hot Snow! Coat. Race. Chase! Stamp. Trump! Smash. Crash! Whack. Crack! Thud. Blood!

3. Whoops, Scares! Grins. Musical. Fillet Lint. Spill! Doctor fee. One VI.—Ed Mott in New York Sun.

In Case of the Grip.



Jinks—I wonder why they make such awfully large collars on overcoats nowadays?

Blinks—Why? So that when your tailor meets you in the street he may get a better grip at it.—Truth.

Her Strong Point.

Mrs. Gadd—How is your girl, Mrs. Gabb?

Mrs. Gabb—Well, she's abominably dirty. She spoils everything she cooks, and she's lazy and impudent; but she has one good quality rarely met with.

"Indeed! What is that?"

"She stays."—Life.

Sad.

Of Charles MacLaren, of Edinburgh, editor of The Scotsman, the following is narrated: "On some telling Mr. MacLaren that old W. was dead, 'What a pity!' he exclaimed; 'he was one of the finest specimens of the ravages of smallpox that we had left in Edinburgh.'—Argosy."

A Poole.

Bingo (at the table)—Seems to me we have less and less to eat all the time. What's the matter?

Mrs. Bingo (sweetly)—You can't expect us to have so much as usual, my dear, when I am paying for my waists on the installment plan.—Clock Review.

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